## **CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION**

Title of publication: 286df3e29aa8afe033195ae4faf2fa1e.jpg

Other known title(s): 8-268445

**OFLC ref:** 1700475.000

Medium: Computer Image File

**Publisher:** Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Not applicable

**Applicant:** Commissioner of Police

Classification: Objectionable.

**Descriptive note:** None

**Display conditions:** None

**Date of entry in Register:** 13 September 2017

Date of direction to issue

a label:

No direction to issue a label has been issued

**Date of notice of decision:** 13 September 2017

## Summary of reasons for decision:

This computer image file is deemed to be objectionable under s3(2)(a) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 because it promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes. The image file is an illustration that depicts a man sexually abusing a young girl. The image is intended for the sexual arousal of adults with a sexual interest in children. The availability of this material is likely to encourage this sexual interest and strengthens the idea that children may be used for adult sexual gratification. The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention and reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.